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BSA

\$70,000 in research grants available

Deadline: September 18
architects.org/grants

THE BSA'S RESEARCH GRANTS IN ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM

is the first and only one to encourage practice-based and practice-oriented research. Now in its seventh year, the BSA program will award approximately \$70,000 in 2009 to support original research projects next year.

Practicing architects, academics, designers, product developers, students and others interested in contributing to an expanded architecture

knowledge-base are encouraged to submit applications.

Grants awarded may include up to \$10,000 for individuals, collaborative teams or organizations; up to \$2,000 for students; up to \$10,000 to support research studio projects; and one grant of \$40,000 for a significant research project.

Since 2004, when the BSA awarded its first research grant, more than \$440,000 in grants have been awarded to fund 42 projects. Proposals that bring together those in practice and in academia by including professionals and academicians on the

project team are encouraged.

Any kind of research around architecture and design is eligible; grant applicants must live in the United States to qualify.

The submission deadline is September 18. To apply or learn more about past recipients, visit architects.org/grants. ■ CE

Amanda Eicher, Michael Beaman, James Setzler and Yutaka Sho received a BSA research grant to investigate women's roles in Rwanda's development since the 1994 genocide. The government's "Vision 2020" land-use program seeks to replace traditional, rural Rwandan settlements (pictured here) with dense, group-housing developments. Photograph by Amanda Eicher.

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New economy. New climate. New thinking.

November 18–20
Seaport World Trade Center
buildboston.com

THE BSA'S 25TH ANNUAL BUILD BOSTON, the premier regional tradeshow and convention for the design and construction industry, is November 18 through 20. This year, the show seeks to redefine what it means to be a design and construction-industry event—focusing on opportunities created by new economy, energy and climate concerns.

To tackle the new economy, the show focuses on career resources, business development and business management, while exploring ways for the design and construction industry to benefit from public funds, how to procure and contract work, and partnering among firms. Robert Murray, chief economist for McGraw-Hill, delivers the keynote presentation on November 18.

Build BOSTON

Women In Design Boston plans for 10th conference

THE 2009 WOMEN IN DESIGN Boston conference is November 18 during Build Boston.

Call for nominations: WID Award of Excellence 2009

The Awards of Excellence are presented annually at the Women In Design Boston conference to recognize those who have planned their own lives in design, whose work exemplifies the best of process

and product, and who use their experience and achievements to give back to the world of design and to the community at large. Nominations must be received by August 14. For details, visit architects.org/wid.

To address the new climate, the show features an energy-intensive program with information and training on new national and state energy codes and standards, design and construction of energy-efficient buildings, alternative-energy sources, cutting-edge mechanical systems, and measuring and modeling systems. In addition, the Build Boston Energy Pavilion features companies focused on achieving carbon-neutral and zero-net-energy buildings and communities. The November 19 keynote speaker, Edward Mazria, a Santa Fe architect and activist, discusses the challenges and design imperative in the 2030 Challenge.

To ensure that the industry applies new thinking to new opportunities, we are including more case studies, interactive exhibits and forums. Dean Kamen, whose company DEKA Research and Development recently celebrated its 25th year of developing revolutionary new technologies and nurturing the creativity of young people, delivers the keynote presentation on November 20.

Women's design work featured

Thousands of building-industry professionals will visit Build Boston in November and view the Women In Design Boston

Also on tap for Build Boston are symposiums on landscape design, building information modeling (BIM), socially sustainable design, design excellence in public places and design-firm administration. Individual workshops focus on careers, firm management, business development, energy/building technology issues and more.

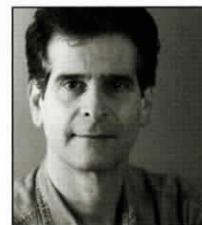
To respond to the growing interest in making Build Boston greener, the BSA is printing significantly fewer brochures this year. Look for the flyer in the mail later this summer announcing the updated website and how to request a print brochure.



Robert Murray



Edward Mazria



Dean Kamen

Women in design

exhibit. This year's exhibit focuses on the power of innovation: in our collaboration with other disciplines and in materiality, tectonic expression, constructability, flexibility, mass customization, environmental and digital technology, and sustainability. The submission deadline for boards is October 2. View the call for entries at architects.org/wid.

Leers, Weinzapfel, Sharp and Emerson College honored

THE BSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS voted recently to confer these three annual BSA honors.

BSA Award of Honor

Andrea Leers FAIA and Jane Weinzapfel FAIA are the 2009 recipients of the BSA Award of Honor, the most prestigious BSA honor bestowed on an individual. This award recognizes extraordinary contributions to the profession and the communities we serve over an extended period of time. In the 25 years since they founded Leers Weinzapfel Associates, Leers and Weinzapfel have built a stellar reputation for jobs as diverse as community centers and courthouses and earned kudos by turning gritty projects—such as power plants and maintenance facilities—into design statements. They also were the first woman-owned firm to receive the AIA Firm Award, which recognizes a practice that has consistently produced distinguished architecture for at least 10 years.

In addition to their collaborative firm work, Leers and Weinzapfel have pursued significant independent careers as leaders and educators.

Leers has maintained a teaching career in parallel with her architectural practice. She is an adjunct professor of architecture and urban design at the Harvard University Design School and has served in educational roles at the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Fine Arts, University of Virginia School of Architecture, Tokyo Institute of Technology Department of Architecture and Yale University School of Architecture. She has received several national grants, including an NEA/Japan U.S. Friendship Commission Design Arts Fellowship, and was a visiting artist at the American Academy in Rome. Leers is a national leader in courthouse design, a member of the Board of Overseers of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston, a former trustee of the Boston Foundation for Architecture, and a former BSA board member.

Weinzapfel has special expertise in transportation and urban infrastructure. She has been an active member of the Women's Transportation Seminar for many years and served as a former director. She served on the Mayor's Transportation Advisory Commission for the City of Boston and the Mayor's Task Force on Government Center Plaza. She was a BSA president, served on the *ArchitectureBoston* editorial board and

is currently on an advisory board for *Harvard Design Magazine*. Weinzapfel has taught at MIT's School of Architecture and Planning and at the University of Arizona School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, where she currently serves on the School's Advisory Board, and was a visiting artist at the American Academy in Rome.

Honorary BSA member

Leith Sharp has been named the 2009 honorary member of the BSA. This special honor is reserved for individuals other than architects who have made substantial and uncommonly positive contributions to our culture, community and profession. The founding director of Harvard's Green Campus Initiative, Sharp is currently speaking, advising and consulting on organizational change management for sustainability in the U.S., Australia and Europe. Over the last 18 years, working with Harvard University and dozens of other universities, she developed a road map for transcending many of the financial, political, human-resource and organizational barriers that commonly get in the way of achieving innovation and continuous improvement towards sustainability.

The Commonwealth Award

This year, the BSA Commonwealth Award is being conferred on Emerson College in recognition of its positive impact on Boston's Theater District over the last 20 years. Once located in Back Bay, Emerson College took a chance on the "Combat Zone" (as it was once known) and systematically moved its entire Boston campus to a cluster of buildings near the intersection of Boylston and Tremont Streets. A few focal points include the recently completed Piano Row Residence Hall and Max Mutchnick Campus Center at 150 Boylston Street, the beautifully restored Cutler Majestic Theatre, 10 Boylston Place, the 14-story Ansin Building at 180 Tremont Street and the Little Building residence hall at 80 Boylston Street. Emerson also is developing a three-building arts-residence complex on Washington Street. The new Paramount Center will include the landmark Paramount Theatre, which is being renovated; a multilevel performance-development building; a film-screening room and a residence hall for 260 students.



Andrea Leers FAIA



Jane Weinzapfel FAIA



Leith Sharp

BSA to lead sustainability charge

THE BSA MEMBERSHIP

RECOGNIZES the unique context and challenges that climate change presents for our work within the built environment—and the need to provide sustainable design leadership within the building industry, our communities and beyond.

In order to harness our collective experience, creativity, and design and problem-solving skills to address society's needs for energy efficiency, water and habitat protection, human health and material resourcefulness, the BSA Board of Directors has appointed a new Committee on the Advancement of Sustainability to lead the BSA's sustainability charge.

Watch for more details about the group's efforts in the next ChapterLetter and online at architects.org/sustainable.

Grants available to boost design awareness

Application deadline: August 7
bfragrants.org

THE BOSTON FOUNDATION FOR ARCHITECTURE has issued its 2009 request for proposals to elevate public understanding of planning, design and construction issues. The application deadline is August 7 at 4:00 pm.

Applications are encouraged from schoolteachers, public and private-school educators, community groups, and local and statewide institutions, as well as individuals with an interest in design-related public education. For an application and guidelines, visit bfragrants.org.

BFA
Boston Foundation
for Architecture

Hit the links to support public design education

July 21, 10:00 am
Pinehills Golf Club
architects.org/golf

THE 21ST ANNUAL BSA GOLF TOURNAMENT is July 21 on an 18-hole championship golf course designed by Rees Jones at the Pinehills Golf Club in Plymouth. All tournament proceeds support BSA educational programs designed to elevate public awareness of design and construction.

Registration begins at 10:00 am with putting and driving contests. The shotgun start is at 11:15 am, and the day includes use of the practice range, a box lunch, all fees and carts and an end-of-the-day awards ceremony and barbecue. Space is

limited; find details and register now at architects.org/golf.

There are also numerous sponsorship opportunities. Sponsors can register at architects.org/golf or by contacting Eric White at 617-951-1433 x225 or ewhite@architects.org.



Find your ARE support system

July 23, 6:30 pm
RSVP by July 22
The Architects Building
architects.org/aresuccess

THROUGH THE ARE SUCCESS TEAMS PROGRAM, the BSA provides intern-architects preparing for the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) with a supportive group structure, access to a study materials library and meeting/

study space. The next kick-off meeting, which is open to both member and nonmember intern-architects, is July 23 at 6:30 pm.

In the program, teams of six to eight people each work as a support network. Every member pledges to meet with and support the other team members until all members have completed their exams.

Visit architects.org/aresuccess

for more details. If you are interested in attending the kickoff, RSVP to rsvp@architects.org or 617-951-1433 x221 by July 22.

The BSA's ARE Success Team program is supported by the Young Designers Professional Development Fund. For more information on the fund and other sponsorship opportunities, visit architects.org/sponsorships.

BAC and Sasaki run away with AfH 5K wins



ON MAY 10, the wind threatened to blow the fourth annual Architecture for Humanity Boston 5K fundraiser right into the Charles River. But with the help of our intrepid volunteers, we battered down the hatches and made the most of what was actually a beautiful day. More than 300 runners turned out on Mother's Day to raise thousands of dollars for Architecture for Humanity.

The Boston Architectural College is the home of the new student champions, Lindsay Smith, David Moynahan and Chris Vance, who took the title from three-time champion, the Harvard University Graduate School of Design.

The AfHB 5K Concrete Cup was won by the new professional champion, Sasaki Associates, and its team of Zack Chrisco, Karsten Solberg and Katie Kaiser (pictured at left). Past champions Goody Clancy and Verner Johnson are counting the days to next year's rematch.

We thank this year's sponsors—the BSA, Verner Johnson and ZEN Associates—as well as everyone who donated, ran and/or volunteered!

Michael McHugh AIA
Chair, Architecture for Humanity Boston



Look sharp!

All BSA members, allies and friends are invited to join the BSA Emerging Professionals Network on July 14 at 6:00 pm for a summer evening scavenger hunt. Teams will pool their wits and knowledge of the city and architecture to compete for prizes. This is not your 4th-grade school trip to see architectural details, so be sure to wear comfortable shoes and bring your camera phone! For details and to reserve a spot for the hunt or the post-hunt party, visit architects.org/epnet.

Committees explore alternative career options for architects, getting published and renovating for LEED

architects.org/news
architects.org/calendar

THANKS TO THE ACTIVE

PARTICIPATION of the BSA's committees and networks, BSA members and allies have unprecedented access to countless tours, presentations and discussions each month on innovations in technologies, materials, practice and design.

To help those affected by the economy network and keep their careers moving forward, the BSA has created the **Career Resources Network**. On July 6, join the group at The Architects Building for a free lunch-and-learn with Debra Garrett from The Workplace, who will discuss her organization's job-

search tools and resources. On September 14, Leonardo Casado Assoc. AIA and Jeff Hanson of Autodesk share ideas for alternative career opportunities that take advantage of the architect's skill set.

Architectural photographer Brian Vanden Brink is published widely in both magazines and books that focus on architecture and design. On July 9 at 6:00, he joins the **BSA Architectural Photography Network** at The Architects Building to share tips and tricks for getting your photography published.

On July 16 at 6:00 pm, the **DataCAD Boston Users Group** gathers at Chapman Construction/Design (84 Winchester Street, Newton) for

a full LEED seminar. The meeting includes a tour of the company's recently renovated office headquarters, which are seeking LEED Platinum certification and feature a 47 kW photovoltaic system on the roof, Solatube skylights, reduction of lighting-power density by 50 percent, and the salvage and re-use of materials. The event is free, although there is a suggested \$5 donation for light dinner and refreshments. RSVP to guyc@chap-con.com.

Do you have extra time and the desire to help our community and do something fun? The **BSA Volunteer Corps** has been set up for those interested in community-service projects. Join the group on the first

Tuesday each month, from 8:30 to 10:00 am. You can also follow the committee's Twitter feed (search "BSAVolunteers" on twitter.com) and network with them on LinkedIn (search "BSA Volunteer Corps" on linkedin.com). To view some of the community organizations the group will be helping, visit architects.org/opportunities and click on "Volunteer."

All BSA committees are free and open to everyone. See page 8 for more meetings and visit architects.org/news for details. RSVP for lunch meetings to rsvp@architects.org or 617-951-1433 X221.

SHIFT

RE-INVENT URBAN
 PUSH boundaries
 CHALLENGE familiar
 THINK radical

Blog now, design later. Want to move Boston forward? What design inspiration do you see in other cities? What have you seen, read or heard about lately that you haven't forgotten? SHIFT seeks to lead a movement in innovative and progressive design for a more dynamic urban experience in Boston—and we want to hear your visions for the future of the city, at SHIFTboston.blogspot.com. Think big, join us in a collective think tank and get ready for the launch of the SHIFTboston ideas competition in September.

design/practice workshop series

THE 2009 BSA DESIGN/PRACTICE WORKSHOP SERIES is a great way to earn AIA Learning Units and Massachusetts state continuing-education credits while staying up-to-date on sustainability, building codes and more. The following are the workshops currently scheduled for July and August at The Architects Building. Find a complete schedule and register at architects.org/workshops.

ACCESSIBILITY CODES

July 13, 8:00–10:00 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

In this workshop, A. Vernon Woodworth AIA, LEED AP of R.W. Sullivan Engineering reviews the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) guidelines and the federal Americans with Disabilities Act Architectural Guidelines (ADAAG).

MASSACHUSETTS STATE BUILDING CODE, SEVENTH EDITION—THE BIG CHANGES

July 20, 8:00–10:00 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

A. Vernon Woodworth AIA, LEED AP and Derrick J. Morse PE of R.W. Sullivan Engineering provide an overview of the changes to the State Building Code in the seventh edition relative to the previous sixth edition of 780 CMR.

EXISTING BUILDINGS

July 27, 8:00–10:00 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

The Massachusetts State Building Code contains special provisions for repairs, renovations, alterations and additions to existing buildings. In this workshop, Jay Ierardi PhD, PE, LEED AP and Derrick Morse PE of R.W. Sullivan Engineering explore code-compliance thresholds in conjunction with the required elements of the Chapter 34 Narrative Evaluation and Investigation Report.

DRIVERS FOR INNOVATIVE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

July 30, 8:30–10:30 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW/SD**

Steven P. Roy LEED AP of Associate Geosyntec Consultants explores the many new drivers for innovative stormwater controls such as LEED, Section 438 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and the new proposed Massachusetts Stormwater Regulations.

INTERMEDIATE WATERCOLOR SEMINAR

July 31 through August 2, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, \$350 (\$280 for members)

■ **20.5 CE** (for three-day seminar)

Frank Costantino Assoc. AIA, FM leads an intensive weekend-long seminar for architectural professionals interested in developing their skills in the watercolor medium.

ENERGY CONSERVATION

August 3, 8:00–10:00 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

A. Vernon Woodworth AIA, LEED AP of R.W. Sullivan Engineering leads this workshop on the energy-compliance options available under the new Energy Conservation Code requirements in Chapter 13 of the State Building Code and their relationship to sustainable design approaches such as the LEED rating system.

ACCESSIBILITY AT-A-GLANCE: COMMON ERRORS

August 6, 8:30–10:30 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

David Kessler, principal of KMA, offers a brief review of the principal differences between 521 CMR, ADAAG and the FHA, before focusing on common errors in accessible design found in a broad range of projects.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS STORAGE

August 10, 8:00–10:00 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

Jay A. Ierardi, Ph.D., PE, LEED AP and Don Contois PE of R.W. Sullivan Engineering explore available code-compliance options for the storage and use of hazardous materials.

UNDERSTANDING HEIGHT AND AREA

August 12, 8:00–10:00 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

Jay A. Ierardi, Ph.D., PE, LEED AP and A. Vernon Woodworth AIA, LEED AP of R.W. Sullivan Engineering lead this workshop on the fundamental relationship between use group, construction type and allowable building height and area.

FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS AND INTERIOR FINISHES

August 17, 8:00–10:00 am, \$65 (\$52 for members) ■ **2 CE/HSW**

Jay A. Ierardi, Ph.D., PE, LEED AP and A. Vernon Woodworth AIA, LEED AP of R.W. Sullivan Engineering discuss structural fire resistance and interior-finish requirements as important aspects of building performance during a fire event.

INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE

August 19, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, \$110 (\$88 for members)* ■ **8 CE/HSW**

A. Vernon Woodworth AIA, LEED AP and Jerry R. Tepe FAIA of R.W. Sullivan Engineering provide a review of the 2003 International Building Code. * Four scholarships are reserved for unemployed professionals; see architects.org/workshops for details.

August is license renewal time

LICENSE CERTIFICATES FOR MASSACHUSETTS ARCHITECTS EXPIRE on August 31 each year, and a lapsed license can have very serious consequences. Now is the time to make sure that the Massachusetts Board of

Registration has your current address so you receive your renewal form. Visit mass.gov/dpl to check your license status and update your address online.

It's also time to review your continuing-education records

to make sure you are on track to complete the annual requirement for 12 continuing-education credits by August 31. To renew your Massachusetts license, you must certify that you have completed 12 continu-

ing-education credits, including 8 on Health, Safety and Welfare (HSW) topics. Find your AIA transcript online at aia.org/education.

opportunities

Submit your photos for the Build Boston exhibit

NEW ENGLAND ARCHITECTS, interior designers and landscape architects are invited to exhibit their work at Build Boston. The 2009/2010 Juried Photo Exhibits are sponsored by the BSA, Boston Society of Landscape Architects, International Interior Design Association and American Society of Interior Designers.

Images submitted by July 31 will be considered by a jury for display at Build Boston 2009 and Residential Design and Construction 2010. For more information, visit architects.org/photoexhibit.

Celebrate New England design. Entries are due July 31 for the 2009 AIA New England Design Awards program. Find a detailed call for entries and submission guidelines at aianewengland.org.

BSA invites RDC 2010 workshop proposals

architects.org/proposals

RESIDENTIAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION (RDC), the BSA's spring convention and trade-show, seeks proposals for workshops, panel discussions and seminars on smart growth, green design, sustainable products, interior design, lighting, kitchen design, high-performance

buildings, landscape design, interior and exterior surface materials, accessible design, co-housing and other nontraditional housing, zoning, and small-firm management.

The deadline is August 25. For more information and to submit, visit architects.org/proposals. Questions? Contact convention director Leslie Martin at lmartin@architects.org.



Opportunities

Listed here each month are additions to an ongoing list of building industry-related opportunities published on the BSA website—visit architects.org/opportunities for more.

Competitions/awards/grants

Register for the **2009 AIA New England Design Awards** program by June 27 and submit by July 31; aianewengland.org.

Register for **Canstruction**, a design/build competition that benefits the Greater Boston Food Bank, by July 31; canstruction.org. This year's theme is "Eat the Art."

Exhibits/lectures/tours/events

Harvard GSD's commencement exhibit runs through August 3 at 48 Quincy Street, Cambridge.

Attend solar-energy workshops, a film festival, learn about green roofs and urban gardening, and more at **Boston GreenFest** on August 21 and 22 at Boston City Hall Plaza; bostongreenfest.org.

The Cities of Angkor is on display through September 15 at MIT's Wolk Gallery.

Félix Candela exhibit runs through September 27 at MIT Museum (265 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge).

The New England Custom Houses of Robert Mills runs through December at 25 Water Street, Newburyport.

Workshops/conferences

Boston Architectural College's Summer Academy is July 6 through 31; the-bac.edu/summer.

Northeast Region Conference is August 26–30 in Lake George NY; eny-csi.org.

The Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Network Convention is September 30 through October 3 in Boston; crainen@rainenlaw.com.

Community/professional opportunities

Transform neglected Dudley Square lots into urban gardens with the Community Resource Design Center on July 17; cdrc-boston.org.

Promote your brand through advertising in BSA print and online publications and sponsoring BSA programs and events! For more information, contact BSA marketing and sales manager John Chase at 617-951-1433 x242 or jchase@architects.org, or visit architects.org/advertising.

Publication opportunities

ArchitectureBoston, the BSA ideas magazine, welcomes story ideas; architectureboston.com 617-951-1433 x227 or architectureboston@architects.org.

Banker & Tradesman architecture critic Jeff Stein AIA welcomes story ideas at jeff.stein@the-bac.edu.

Boston Globe architecture critic Robert Campbell FAIA wants to hear story ideas from BSA members; camglobe@aol.com.

July 2009



- Committee meeting
- Lecture/conversation
- Reception/networking event
- Public program/convention
- Workshop/study group

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Visit architects.org for August events

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- **Noon*** Career Resources Network (see page 5)

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- **8:30 am** BSA Volunteer Corps (see page 5)
- **Noon*** Architects/Engineers Network
- **6:00 pm*** Asian/Asian American Designers Forum
- **6:30 pm*** Common Boston

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- **8:00 am** Committee on the Environment
- **8:00 am** Feng Shui Network
- **Noon*** Religious architecture discussion
- **6:00 pm*** DOCOMOMO

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- **8:00 am** Workshop: Accessibility codes (see page 6)

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- **8:30 am** Legislative Affairs Committee
- **6:00 pm*** Scavenger Hunt (see page 5)
- **6:00 pm** BosNOMA (at TRO Jung|Brannen; RSVP to bosnoma@gmail.com)
- **6:15 pm** LEED Study Group (RSVP to ericreinhard@live.com)

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- **12:30 pm*** BSA Volunteer PR Committee

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- **8:00 am** Workshop: Massachusetts State Building Code 7th Edition (see page 6)
- **Noon*** Indoor Air Quality Committee

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- **8:00 am** Residential Design Committee
- **10:00 am** BSA Golf Tournament (at Pinehills Golf Club, Plymouth; see page 4)
- **5:15 pm*** Design for Aging Committee

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- **Noon*** Access Committee
- **6:00 pm*** Museum and Exhibit Design Committee

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- **8:00 am** Workshop: Existing buildings
- **4:30 pm*** Building Enclosure Council

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- **9:00 am** Building Information Modeling Roundtable
- **6:15 pm** LEED Study Group (RSVP to ericreinhard@live.com)

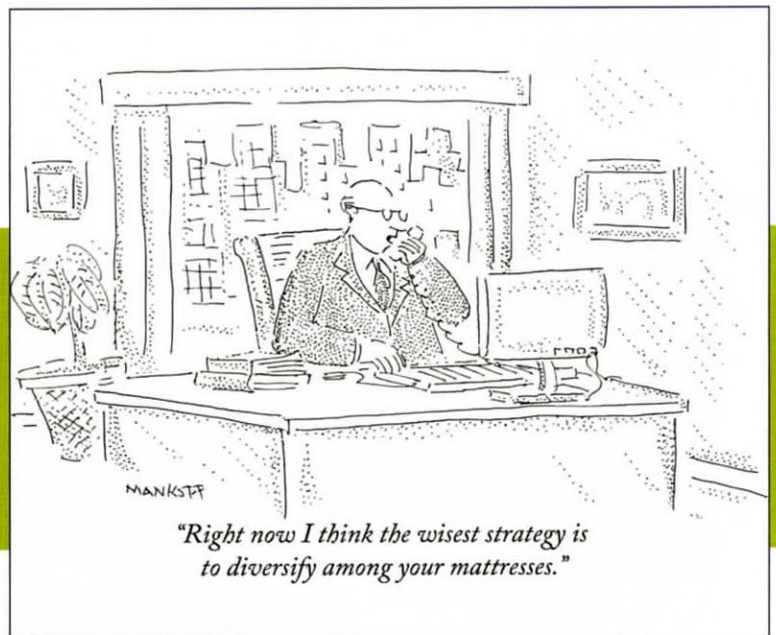
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Find your way online: You can search for your next committee meeting, the latest news and Fame on the BSA's website: architects.org.

Most BSA committee/network meetings and programs offer continuing-education credits for all Massachusetts architects; AIA members also receive AIA Learning Units. All are welcome.

***Lunch and evening meetings!** RSVP by 9:30 am on the day of the meeting: 617-951-1433 x221 or rsvp@architects.org.

All meetings are held in **The Architects Building** 52 Broad Street, Boston unless otherwise noted.



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- **7:00 pm** 'Conversations on Architecture' (at Boston Public Library)

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- **8:00 am** Historic Resources Committee
- **6:00 pm*** Architectural Photography Network (see page 5)
- **6:30 pm*** Architecture for Humanity Boston

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- **5:30 pm*** Urban Design Committee
- **6:00 pm** DataCAD Boston Users Group (at Chapman Construction/Design; see page 5)
- **6:30 pm** Asian/Asian American Designers Forum's Shabu-yam Dine-Around (Harvard Square)

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- **8:00 am** Owners' Project Managers for K-12 Schools Committee
- **9:30 am** K-12 Educational Facilities Committee
- **6:00 pm** Boston Area Construction History Group
- **6:30 pm*** ARE Success Teams Kickoff (see page 4)

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- **8:30 am** Workshop: Drivers for innovative stormwater management
- **5:30 pm*** Academy of Architecture for Justice Group

Friday

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BSA office closed

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- **6:00 pm*** Construction Administration Roundtable

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- **Noon*** Women in Design Boston

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- **10:00 am** Intermediate Watercolor Seminar (see page 6)

deadlines

July 3

Submission deadline for the September/October ChapterLetter (see page 1)

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July 31

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August 25

Workshop proposals due for Residential Design and Construction (see page 7)

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August 31

Massachusetts annual continuing-education-requirement deadline (see page 6)

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Submission deadline for the November/December ChapterLetter (see page 1)

September 18

Grant proposals due for Research Grants in Architecture (see page 1)

People and Firms

The *Wall Street Journal* featured one of **Albert, Righter and Tittmann Architects'** new houses as the winner of a Dream Home Award in the category of "Best Custom Home 3,500–5,000 SF." The firm's work on the New Hampshire Library and guest house was included in *New Hampshire Home*; a Maine summer house in *Fine Homebuilding*; a shingled summer house in *Maine Home and Design*; and a kitchen in a Massachusetts house in *Trends* magazine. The 2009 American Architecture Foundation/AIA St. Louis calendar includes seven photographs taken by **Jacob Albert AIA**.

Martha Rothman FAIA, Vera Van Middlesworth, **Neil McCann AIA**, **Anat Yosfan AIA**, Ryan Campbell, Thomas Simister, Mali Ouzts and Patrick McCarthy of **Anshen+Allen** have become LEED-accredited professionals.

ARC/Architectural Resources Cambridge's 46,000-sf Rubenstein Hall at Duke University has earned LEED certification. The firm welcomes architect **Raynold Paradis AIA**, **LEED AP** and intern-architects Stephen Anson **LEED AP**, David Shanks and Jay Young.

John Cole AIA (1) of **Arrowstreet** has become a LEED-accredited professional. **Michael Wang AIA**, **LEED AP (2)** presented at a joint session of the New Hampshire legislature's Transportation and Public Committees.

Bergmeyer Associates' Mattapan Heights project was honored with the 2009 Boston Preservation Alliance Award for the renovation of Building F.

Cannon Design promoted Elizabeth Spelman **LEED AP** to vice-president and Beat Schenk and Brian Pineau to associate vice-president.

CBT's Axinn Center at Middlebury College's Starr Library received a 2009 SCUP Excellence in Architecture Award and a Dream Homes' Community Service of the Year Award for the Habitat for Humanity in Stoughton. The firm is participating

in the AIA 2030 Commitment, a voluntary program to make a pledge, develop multiyear action plans and implement steps to advance the AIA's goal of carbon-neutral buildings by the year 2030.

Diane Dooley AIA (3) of **DiMella Shaffer** presented at the Environments for Aging Conference and will present at the fall AAHA conference in Chicago. Nicole Hathaway and Basak Alkan have become LEED-accredited professionals. The firm welcomes marketing manager Jonathan Fetherolf. The firm designed Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home's Leonard Florence Center for Living, the nation's first ALS skilled-care residence using an urban Green House model. Partly due to its involvement in this project, the firm participated and raised more than \$6,000 for the Walk to Defeat ALS.

Einhorn Yaffee Prescott Architecture and Engineering welcomes chief financial officer John Kempf **(4)**, senior designers and associates **Jason Olsen AIA**, **LEED AP** and Desmond McAuley **LEED AP**, NCARB, executive assistant Kelly Baldarelli and director of business development and principal Judy Pullar **(5)**.

Finegold Alexander + Associates' Tony Hsiao AIA (6) and **Sherman "Pat" Morss, Jr., AIA (7)** have become LEED-accredited professionals. At the American Association of Museums' annual meeting, **Jim Alexander FAIA**, **LEED AP (8)** and Elizabeth Wylie presented "Green Museum Makeover" at the African American Museum. The firm's restoration and adaptive use of the Wright Building, Duxbury's former library, received a 2009 Massachusetts Historic Commission Preservation Award.

Jean Carroon FAIA, **LEED** of **Goody Clancy** participated in a University of Pennsylvania symposium, "Conversation on Preservation and Sustainability," and led a National Preservation Institute seminar on "Green Strategies for Historic Buildings."

GUND Partnership's John Prokos FAIA (9) and **Liam Deevy Assoc. AIA** led a tour of the Westminster School New Academic Center's geothermal system to facilities directors from fellow independent schools. The geothermal heat pump system consists of 72 wells in a closed-loop configuration.

Laura Wernick AIA (10) of **HMFH Architects** was a panelist at the Boston Bar Association's "Green Building and Greenhouse Gas Emissions: Today's Regulatory Compliance Issues and a Practical View from the Field."

Autodesk's A/E/C Solutions Group **LEED Platinum** headquarters in Waltham received a Fifth Annual Technology in Architectural Practice Building Information Model (BIM) Award in the design/delivery process innovation using BIM category at the AIA National Convention; the design team for New England's first IPD project was comprised of **KlingStubbins**, Tocci Building Companies and Autodesk. **KlingStubbins** is opening an international office in Beijing, China, managed by **Xiaoyi Ma AIA**, **LEED AP**.

LDa Architecture and Interiors' Peter Nobile AIA was one of the nation's first architects to beta test and pass the new LEED for Homes exam in Washington, D.C.

Jane Weinzapfel FAIA of **Leers Weinzapfel Associates** served on the AIA Nebraska Design Awards jury. The firm's modernization project of the MBTA Arlington Street station has completed the rebuilt mezzanine and elevation of train platforms to make passenger boardings easier, marking the first time in the 90-year history of the station that it will be accessible to people of all abilities.

Jay Higginbottom AIA, Tim Teabo, Leo Patterson and Mike Mahan of **Miller Dyer Spears** have become LEED-accredited professionals.

Moskow Linn Architects received an AIA Small Project Award in the category of small project structures for its swamp hut in Newton.

Sasaki Associates received a USGBC Innovation in Green Design Award for the renovation of its own office building, the historic Chase Mills in Watertown, one of the oldest LEED EB Gold buildings in Massachusetts.

Shepley Bulfinch's Jonathan Gyory AIA, **LEED AP (11)** and **Carole Wedge FAIA**, **LEED AP** presented at AIA National Convention. Tom Frohlichstein has become a LEED-accredited professional.

SMMA/Symmes Maini & McKee Associates' Mark Zarrillo **FASLA**, **AICP (12)** was included in the *Providence Business Journal's* feature on college and university capital projects. Linda Lukas was profiled in the Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus newsletter. **Mark Spaulding AIA**, **LEED AP (13)** has been appointed to the Coastal Resource Management Council of the Providence Foundation. Marie Fitzgerald **IIDA (14)** wrote "The Mobile Workplace" in the *Boston Business Journal*. *Providence College's* Concannon Fitness Center was featured in *College Planning and Management*. Swampscott High School was featured in both *ArchitectureBoston* and *CEFP's Educational Facility Planner* regarding schools as multigenerational community centers. The school was also recognized by *CEFP* with an award for Planning and Design Excellence. **Phil Poinelli AIA**, **LEED AP** spoke at *CEFP's* Schools on the Edge conference.

Steffian Bradley Architects' Rich Berry, Tiffany Best, Matthew Bluetie, Ivana Chang, Anthony DiFeo, Linda Haggerty **AAHID**, Shelley Harris, Charlotte May, Long Nguyen, **Michael Reith AIA**, Enrique Rojas, Danielle Santos and Jennifer Silvestro have become LEED-accredited professionals.

David Rhodes FAIA of **TRO Jung|Brannen** spoke at an NACHRI meeting, the National Congress of Hospitals and the International Academy of Design & Health. Paul Fallon **RA**, **LEED AP** spoke at a CIMIT forum. John Downes **LEED AP** spoke at the Global Healthcare Expansion Congress. Jeannine Campbell, Heather Averwater **IIDA**, Lisa Hess and David Randazzo **PE** have become LEED-accredited professionals. **Jason Costello AIA**, **LEED AP** will be a presenter/panelist in the Young Designers symposium at Build Boston. Joanne MacIsaac **IIDA** will serve on the Boston Architectural College board of overseers.

Ed Tsoi FAIA (15) of **Tsoi/Kobus & Associates** received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Cambridge Corps of the Salvation Army. **Greg Luongo AIA (16)** was quoted in the *Boston Business Journal's* feature on "Boston's most eye-catching buildings." Steve Palumbo **(17)** became a registered architect. **Rick Kobus FAIA (18)** and

Chan Krieger Sieniewicz and Maryann Thompson Architects in collaboration with Ingrid Strong are among this year's **K-12 Educational Facilities Design Awards** winners. The biennial design awards program, co-sponsored by the AIA New York Chapter, recognizes design projects that support teaching and learning through thoughtful, innovative architecture. The jury—Robert Taylor AIA, Katherine Craven, Clifford Gayley AIA and Frank Locker PhD, AIA—chose 12 projects out of 47 submissions to be honored. View the jurors' comments at architects.org/awards.



Mark Reed AIA, LEED AP (19) were featured in a *Tradeline* article on "Why Waste Millions Overdesigning Your Lab?" Dana Maringo (20) and Rachana Rao (21) have become LEED-accredited professionals. John Mitchell (22) was a finalist in the Rotch Travelling Scholarship competition. The firm's 2008 holiday card and 25th-anniversary party invitation received a 2009 American Inhouse Design Awards by Graphic Design USA.

Architect magazine ranked William Rawn Associates first in its national listing of top architecture firms.

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New Work

Ahearn-Schopfer Associates' E. Kevin Schopfer AIA formed a new company, Schopfer Yachts. Schopfer Yachts designed a 250-foot yacht, Oculus, with Sparkman & Stevens.

Anshen+Allen is designing a prototype medical clinic for Containers to Clinics. Placed in developing nations, the clinics will be housed within used shipping containers and used primarily to provide services to women and infants.

Arrowstreet is working on renovations to the former federal courthouse in Springfield for MassDevelopment and developing criteria for a green-roof design and retrofit program for the City of Boston's municipal buildings.

Current projects by **BAKA Architects** include a new Radley store in Garden City NY and two projects for The Palm Restaurants in Philadelphia and Los Angeles with Steve Todisco.

CBT's new work includes a study for the restoration of the Massachusetts State Senate Chambers and a youth center for the United Teen Equality Center in Lowell. The Huntington entrance of the Museum of Fine Arts, designed by CBT and Foster + Partners, reopened. With S3 Design, the firm completed design and construction for Equinox's flagship lifestyle/fitness club and spa at 225 Franklin Street, Boston.

CUBE 3 Studio is working on a new dining facility for Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester NH.

DiMella Shaffer is providing design services for the Seneca Nation of Indians' eldercare facilities expansion on the Allegany and Cattaraugus territories.

Ellenzweig is designing the new medical sciences building at Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk VA; the project also includes renovations to three existing buildings.

Finegold Alexander + Associates is working on the new Westwood Library design; the Little Building for Emerson College; and the historic Salem jail adaptive-reuse project.

GUND Partnership is designing a renovation and expansion of James Madison University's Duke Hall and Woodson Senior High School in Washington, D.C.

Margulies Perruzzi Architects completed the design of Fiduciary Trust Company office space at 175 Federal Street, Boston.

rauhaus freedendfeld & associates is designing the Red Dog Pet Resort & Boston Animal Hospital in Boston and the Bronx Veterinary Center in Bronx NY.

Ruhl Walker Architects completed design work for the Hawai'i Wildlife Center, a wildlife care facility in Kapa'au that includes a water

catchment system, solar water heating and a photovoltaic solar array.

Shepley Bulfinch is designing Brody Learning Commons at Johns Hopkins and a library addition for George Mason University.

TRO Jung|Brannen's work includes a high-performance energy contract with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with The Green Engineer and designs for Brigham and Women's Hospital's emergency department addition and renovation.

Tsoi/Kobus & Associates is providing design services for the IIDA Interior Design Boston Fashion Show Gala to be held October 15.

Tsomides Associates Architects Planners completed the Cadbury at Lewes Continuing Care Retirement Community in Lewes DE (the project is featured in *Design, Environments for Aging* magazine) and The Osher Inn at The Cedars, a new 30-unit assisted-living facility in Portland ME; the firm's earlier designs for the campus include The Atrium at Cedars, recipient of the National Association of Home Builders Gold Award, and the Hoffman Skilled Nursing Care Center, featured in the AIA Design for Aging biennial.

Ground was broken for **William Rawn Associates** and associate architect OPN Architects' new LEED Silver U.S. Courthouse in Cedar Rapids IA.

In response to members' requests to go green, the **BSA's print ChapterLetter is going bimonthly**. The change takes place after our usual combined July/August issue, starting with a September/October issue. The submission deadlines for Fame, our member news section, may be found at architects.org/submission.

To read the latest stories about BSA members and allies, visit the BSA's online Press Room at architects.org/press. Have a story from the mainstream press to add to the list? Email pr@architects.org.



Miller Dyer Spears celebrated the opening of the Lurie Family Imaging Center at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute's harbor campus; the topping-off of Dana-Farber's new Yawkey Center for Cancer Care; and broke ground at the expanded Kennedy Campus Center at MassArt (above). The firm finished renovations to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center's NICU and is working on a LEED-Plus administration building at Worcester State College. Rendering: Miller Dyer Spears Inc.



ADD Inc's renovation and rehabilitation of 311 Summer Street received a 2009 Preservation Achievement Award from the Boston Preservation Alliance in the category of adaptive use of a historic industrial space. Photo: Peter Vanderwarker.



Cubellis completed work on Hotel Felix, Chicago's first hotel designed to achieve LEED Silver certification. Photo: David LaPlaca.



Bruner/Cott & Associates' Wells Commons at the University of Maine (above) received LEED Silver certification. Two of the firm's buildings have opened: the new luxury high-rise residential tower at 45 Province Street in Boston and the Institute for Global Citizenship at Macalester College in Minnesota. Photo: Richard Mandelkorn.



The Guangzhou Children's Activity Center in Guangzhou, China, designed by **Steffian Bradley Architects**, is one of 11 international finalists for the Urban Land Institute 2009 Awards for Excellence in Asia Pacific. Photo: Marc Gerritsen.

Corporate Affiliate News

Acella Construction is working with Siemasko + Verbridge on the new Student Center project for Riverview School in East Sandwich, which includes a 325-seat auditorium, an outdoor amphitheater, a library/media center, classrooms and studios for creative arts, and a commons for social gatherings.

Acentech is working on acoustic cloaking of underwater objects for the U.S. Navy, Office of Naval Research and audiovisual consulting services for the newly completed Alter Hall at Temple University in

Philadelphia. Benjamin Davenny and Jeffrey Zapfe will co-present on "Noise and Vibration in Healthcare Facilities: Concerns and Solutions" at the Healthcare Design '09 conference in October.

Advanced Signing completed the new name change for Bentley University and is working on signage fabrication for the academic science center and administrative east-wing signage fabrication at Emmanuel College designed by Roll•Barresi & Associates.

Beals and Thomas is celebrating its 25th anniversary. Jennifer Johnson has become a LEED-accredited professional.

Bufftree Building completed an interior remodeling project at Shaw's Supermarket in Fairhaven with Yarosh Associates.

Carol R. Johnson Associates is designing the 5-acre DeAngelo Commons, a major quadrangle space at Roger Williams University; a lakefront masterplan for Rollins College in Winter Park FL; a masterplan for landscape upgrades at Unicorn Park, a corporate office park in Woburn; improvements to Morningside and Inskip Parks in Knoxville; and improvements for the University of Tennessee Student Health Center in Knoxville.

Recent work by **C.E. Floyd Company** includes renovations to the president's office at Carleton Willard Village in Bedford with Tsomides Associates Architects and the conversion of an assisted-living wing to an Alzheimer's wing at The Village at South Farms in Middletown CT with Bechtel Frank Erickson Architects.

Columbia Construction's work includes constructing two new additions and renovations for Nantucket Cottage Hospital with Trapani & Associates; a 13,000-sf renovation project at the Broad Institute with Black Cow Architects; and a renovation project at Gibbs College in Boston with Interior



Albert, Richter and Tittmann Architects received a 2008 AIA New England Honor Award for its design of a weekend house in Columbia County NY and a 2009 AIA New Hampshire Honor Award for a guest house on Squam Lake (above). Photo: Greg Premru.



Strekalovsky Architecture's LEED-certified New England Wildlife Center, an animal hospital and educational center, utilizes recycled and renewable materials. Photo: Frank Foster.



New and recent work by **Copley Wolff Design Group** includes four green roofs atop the Clarendon, a new luxury LEED-Silver residential high-rise. Rendering: Robert AM Stern Architects.



PCA (Prellwitz/Chilinski Associates) received a Cambridge Historical Commission Preservation Award for the renovation of a private residence at 164 Brattle Street. Photo: PCA.



Jeremiah Eck FAIA and Paul MacNeely AIA of Eck MacNeely Architects were featured in a *Boston Globe* article for their work at Thayer Academy in Braintree. Photo: Warren Jagger.

Architects. The firm presented at ISPE's New England BioPharma 2009 on "BIM and Operational Excellence" and at SNEAPPA's spring conference on "Laser to CAD (L2CAD): The Benefits for Facilities Planning on Academic Campuses." Christine Sanford (23) has become a LEED-accredited professional.

New and recent work by **Copley Wolff Design Group** includes the first phase of the historic rehabilitation of the remaining Appleton and Freudenberg buildings' mill yard in Lowell with ICON architecture; additions and renovations to Bridgewater State College's new Pope & Scott Residence Halls; JPI's residential

project Admiral's Hill in Chelsea; Tufts Dental School on Boston's Washington Street plaza; construction of retaining walls and rain gardens at the University of Massachusetts biologic laboratory in Mattapan; Westover Readiness Center in Chicopee Falls; Mathworks in Natick; construction documents for Roger L. Putnam Vocational Technical High School in Springfield; Shelburne Community Center in Roxbury; the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Boston and Ripley Playground in Dorchester; the public-realm plan and landscape design for 319 A Street, Boston with ADD Inc; a public-realm plan for Cresset Group's new street

development project on the East Boston waterfront; a recreational masterplan for the City of Portsmouth NH with The Architectural Team; site improvements for Johnson & Wales University's Yena Center in Providence RI and schematic designs for improvements to the J&W Harborside campus entry with Selbert Perkins Design; and streetscape improvements along Boston's Clarendon and Stuart Streets. Jennifer Chandler (24) has become a LEED-accredited professional.

Erland Construction welcomes director of healthcare planning and services Richard Carey (25). The firm sponsored the first annual Walk to Defeat ALS. Steve Craft (26) has become a LEED-accredited professional.

R. Lee Wooten PE (27) of **GEI Consultants** co-lead a team of civil engineers to New Orleans to assess levee performance following Hurricane Gustav and was the principal author of the group's report, "Reconnaissance of the New Orleans Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System after Hurricane Gustav."

Gilbane promoted Michael O'Brien to senior project executive. For the third consecutive year, the firm was named one of the *Boston Business Journal's* Best Places to Work in Massachusetts. The firm was selected as a Blue Level participant in the Construction Health and Safety Excellence Partnership (CHASE). The firm received two CMAA New England Project Achievement Awards for its role as construction manager at-risk: Salem High School (renovation over \$20 million) and the new residence hall at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (new construction under \$50 million). The new residence hall, which features a green roof above the apartment-style student residences, also received a 2009 Green Building of America Award. The firm is construction manager for Bank of America's 225 Franklin Street, Boston renovation designed by Gensler.

Lee Kennedy Company is working on the 92,000-sf Federal Aviation Administration project at the New England Executive Office Park in Burlington with Sasaki Associates. The firm completed a Beacon Street renovation of the Boston Bar Association with TRO Jung|Brannen. Bill Traill, Marc Buchan and Brian Kelley have become LEED-accredited professionals. The company welcomes project estimator Jim McIntyre and senior director Steve Flanagan.

Midland Construction's work includes renovating the main lobby at 18 Tremont St. with Allevato Architects for BPG Development; upgrading 22 restrooms for BPG Development at 18 Tremont Street; and Phase 2 of HMC Bedford Data Recovery with Walsh/Cochis Associates.

Nitsch Engineering's Joshua Alston PE has become a LEED-accredited professional. Judith Nitsch PE, LEED AP co-presented at SCUP's Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference on "Charting a Course for Site Sustainability in a Campus Plan" and at the AIA National Convention on "Implementing Sustainable Stormwater Management: Lessons Learned from Ten Years of Collaboration." The firm has trademarked RainUSE, its software-based service that uses a proprietary program to analyze and size tanks for storing rainwater for reuse, which enables calculations on how successful a rainwater-reuse system may be to satisfy the water demands for a building project.

RF Walsh Project Management welcomes partner and chief operating officer Joseph Naughton LEED AP (28).

Richard White Sons completed Tennant Ventures' new office building with Stirling/Brown Architects and is working on design/build services for Lesley University's Sherrill Library renovations with Baker Design Group. John Hickey III (29), R. Andrew Roosa (30), Adam Keane (31) and David Landry (32) have become LEED-accredited professionals.

R.W. Sullivan Engineering's recent projects include Children's Hospital Boston 57 Binney Street with Payette; Harvard University Biolabs Kunes/Francis Lab with Hecht & Associates Architects; 35 Stanhope Street evaluation with Margulies Peruzzi Architects; Tisbury emergency services facility with HKT Architects; CVS in Brockton with BKA Architects; Lahey Clinic CT POD 3 with New England Medical Design; Greenfield Community College with Gensler; Middlesex house of corrections with Earth Teach/AECOM; Stonehill Merkert Tracy Science Building with Spagnolo Gisness & Associates; Beverly School for the Deaf with Cutler Associates; John Winthrop School with Beacon Architectural Associates; and Newton Museum at Jackson Homestead with Durkee Brown Viveiros & Werenfels Architects.

Shawmut Design and Construction was named to the *Boston Business Journal's* Best Places to Work in Massachusetts for the sixth consecutive year. The firm is working on Sovereign Bank in Hyde Park with SMMA/Symmes Maini & McKee Associates; Danvers Bank in Needham and Newton Center with Royal Design; fire-protection upgrades for Phillips Exeter Academy's Elm Street dining hall; Northeastern University's 116 St. Stephen Street fire alarm replacement project with Bergmeyer Associates; renovations to The Wequassett Resort in Harwich with Polhemus Savery DaSilva Architects/Builders; and two Brown University projects: Stephen Robert Campus Center at Faunce House with Schwartz/Silver Architects and 75 Charlesfield Street temporary communications center and locker room renovations with Dan Peloquin Architect.

Skanska USA Building's Dale Caldwell, Jim Craft, Ken Felton, Bryan Flynn, Dan Lanneville, Laura Onessimo, Nick Palumbo, Mike Pascavage AIA and Mary Ann Williams have become LEED-accredited professionals.

Souza, True and Partners is designing the South End Buttery in Boston with Hacin + Associates; designing Clark Oncology Center at Falmouth Hospital with TRO Jung|Brannen; and completed the Mount Ida College veterinary facility in Newton with CBT.

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Stantec's new projects include planning and site design services for Inwood Hill Park tennis and basketball courts for the New York City Parks and Recreation Department; a bicycle and pedestrian transportation-planning update for the Bangor Area comprehensive transportation system in Maine; and landscape architectural services for Highland Terrace and Webster Avenue residences in Chelsea with Chelsea Neighborhood Developers and ICON architecture. The firm received a Public Space Award from the ASLA Vermont chapter for a redesign to Center Street Alley in Rutland VT. Patrick Maguire has become a LEED-accredited professional.

The Green Engineer provided sustainable design services to Boston Properties for the 77 CityPoint office building in Waltham that received LEED-CS Gold certification and is working with TRO Jung|Brannen on a DCAM statewide House Doctor contract for high-performance energy- and water-efficiency engineering services. The firm participated in the Architecture for Humanity 5K run.

Tighe & Bond's Fran Hoey PE (33) has become a LEED-accredited professional. Carlos Chaves LEED AP (34) and Jay Viamari PE, LEED AP (35) presented "Low-Impact Site Planning and Design" to the Western Massachusetts chapter of AIA. The firm provided LEED AP services for Yum! Brands for its first LEED Gold-certified Taco Bell and KFC in the U.S.; site design for Kollmorgen Electro Optical's new headquarters in Northampton, which will pursue LEED certification; civil and structural engineering with Caolo & Bieniek Associates for Northampton's new LEED Gold-certified police station and adjacent two-level parking garage; and civil, structural and MEP engineering for the conversion of an historic mill building within the Cabotville Industrial Park in Chicopee to residential condominium units.

VHB/Vanasse Hangen Brustlin welcomes manager of land development Craig Lizotte PE.

William A. Berry & Son welcomes marketing specialist Robin Abraham IIDA, LEED AP.



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'Stretch' energy code available for adoption in Massachusetts

BUILDING CODES ESTABLISH the minimum level of performance that can legally be built in terms of structure, life safety and energy conservation. While Massachusetts experiments with zero-net-energy buildings and Boston and other jurisdictions enact green building requirements, the vast majority of construction projects continue to meet only minimum standards for energy use. This cannot continue if the effects of global climate change are to be contained.

Enacting increased mandatory statewide energy-conservation requirements is one possible response to the need for action. However, the construction and development industries would experience this abrupt increase in code requirements as a profound shock in an economic climate already fraught with uncertainty. The alternative devised by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs in conjunction with the Board of Building Regulations and Standards is an optional enhanced energy code that can be adopted by cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth. This "stretch" energy code anticipates future energy requirements while encouraging localized and incremental transformation of the construction industry.

The stretch code has both a residential and a commercial dimension, although small commercial buildings (of less than 5,000 square feet) are exempt.

For residential buildings under four stories in height, a performance-based evaluation using the Home Energy Rating System (HERS) process is required, while a prescriptive path is available for additions based on the "Energy Star for Homes Prescriptive Builders Option Package." The Energy Star website states that the "HERS Index is a scoring system established by the Residential Energy Services Network in which a home built to the specifications of the HERS Reference Home (based on the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code) scores a HERS Index of 100, while a net-zero-energy home scores a HERS Index of 0. The lower a home's HERS Index, the more energy-efficient it is in comparison to the HERS Reference Home."

New construction and additions of dwelling units of more than 3,000 square feet must achieve a HERS rating of 65 or less. Units that are less than 3,000 square feet must achieve a HERS rating of 70 or less, while renovations or additions where the existing heating systems are retained must achieve a HERS rating of 85 or less. All new construction must demonstrate compliance with the Energy Star Qualified Homes Thermal Bypass Inspection Checklist. Visit energystar.gov for details.

The commercial portion of the "stretch code" has two parts.

Large buildings of more than 100,000 square feet must meet a performance standard set at 20 percent below the energy usage of ASHRAE 90.1 2007, and they must demonstrate this performance through modeling by methods and software approved by the BBRS. Medium-size commercial buildings—which include residential buildings with four or more stories that are less than 100,000 square feet—have the option of meeting the large-building performance standard or using a simplified, prescriptive energy code as an alternative to Chapter 13 in the current seventh edition of 780 CMR. The prescriptive code is based on Chapter 5 of the IECC 2009 energy code with enhanced provisions based on the Advanced Buildings Institute's "Core Performance Guide." Some of the improved energy-efficiency requirements include:

- Building-envelope elements (walls, roofs, windows, insulation, basements, etc.)
- Building classes distinguished by a "Group R" for residential buildings and "All Other" for commercial
- Commissioning to ensure a building's energy systems operate as designed
- More efficient lighting-power densities and improved lighting controls
- A set of alternative prescriptive packages that allow several compliance paths, including high-efficiency HVAC equipment, reduced lighting-power density, grid-responsive buildings or on-site renewable energy

The complete text of the new "stretch" code can be found at mass.gov/Eeops/docs/dps/inf/120_AA_Stretch_Code_Final.pdf.

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The new code brings added complexity to the design and construction process and new opportunities for BSA members and allies to be leaders in the industry.

New skills and services in a tough economy

The home-energy-rating system HERS is required for compliance with the residential portion of the stretch code. Currently, there are less than 40 HERS raters in the state. This and related energy measuring and modeling skills present opportunities for architects and others to expand the services they offer. HERS training is offered by the Department of Energy's Energy Star program, and the BSA is developing energy-related training.

The need for local advocacy

State officials expect the implementation of the stretch code to meet with opposition from towns and municipalities. Architects and other building-industry professionals who attend local hearings to help explain the new code and voice their support will ensure that local leaders understand the long-term benefits of adopting the code. The BSA will support architects and other design professionals in advocating the adoption of the stretch code, and the state intends to develop an interactive GIS map on the BBRS website showing the status of adoption in each jurisdiction to aid in your participation. Join the Legislative Affairs Committee every month (see page 8) to learn more.

An imperative to measure the savings

The state intends to monitor the economic impact of the stretch-code adoption closely. It is crucial that we monitor not just the costs of the stretch code but also its savings. This is one of the many efforts the BSA's new Committee on the Advancement of Sustainability (see page 3) will be monitoring.

All are encouraged to join the many BSA committees and networks addressing these and other sustainability issues. See page 8 for July meetings and visit architects.org/news for upcoming topics.